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Invention: TRANSPORTATION DEVICE

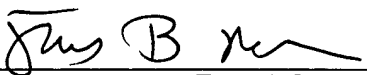
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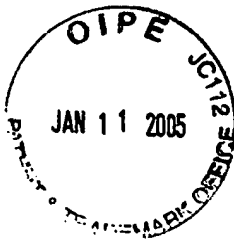
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Sir:

In response to the final Office action mailed November 9, 2004, please reconsider the rejections on the basis of the following remarks.

**Objection to New Matter**

The Examiner has objected to the proposed illustration of the disclosed transportation means in the form of grasping elements 9, which were added to the drawings of Figs. 1 and 2. The transportation means, including specific forms of the means as grasping elements, were disclosed in the original specification. For example, paragraph [12] says that "a transportation device or a holding device can be arranged at the transportation rope." Original paragraph [17] describes the role of the transportation means as "persons or skiers to be transported approach the transportation device, preferably at the same level as the valley station, grasp the transportation rope or a transportation means (not shown) attached thereto. The transportation device transports the person(s) to be conveyed from the driving station 1 in the direction of the return/deflection station 2. Having arrived there, the skier or the person to be transported lets go of the rope or the transportation means."